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THE NATIONAL CONVENTION OF THE SOCIAL DEMOCRATIC CENTER
PARTY C.D.S. OPENS IN LYON TODAY. UPON ARRIVING IN
FRANCE S SECOND CITY LAST NIGHT, IN REVIEWING CDS
GOALS AND OBJECTIVES, PARTY LEADER JEAN LECANUET
ASSERTED THAT THE SOCIALISTS AND COMMUNISTS HAVE
ALREADY PUBLICLY PROVEN THAT THEY ARE
INCAPABLE OF GOVERNING TOGETHER. LECANUET WENT
ON TO SAY THAT WE CAN SEE TODAY IN WHAT KIND
OF ABYSS WE WOULD HAVE FALLEN IF MITTERAND HAD
BEEN ELECTED AND GISCARD D ESTAING HAD NOT
BEEN SO WISE TO REJECT THE IDEA OF EARLY ELECTIONS
WHICH HAD BEEN SUGGESTED TO HIM BY CERTAIN LEADERS.
ACCORDING TO THE CDS CHIEF , MITTERAND WAS FOOLED
BY TWO ILLUSIONS : FIRST, THAT THE COMMUNIST PARTY
HAD CHANGED AND THAT HE COULD GOVERN WITH
P.C. SUPPORT, AND SECONDLY THE ILLUSION OF THE
SOCIALIST PROGRAM WHICH IN FINAL ANALYSIS IS JUST
AS DANGEROUS FOR FRANCE AS THE COMMUNIST PROGRAM.
IT IS LIKELY THAT THE CDS CONVENTION WILL MAKE
A STRONG BID TO RETURN TO FRANCE A SYSTEM OF PROPOR-
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TIONAL ELECTIONS INSTEAD OF THE WINNER TAKE ALL
RULE WHICH, ACCORDING TO LECANUET, FAVORS THE DIVISON
OF THE FRENCH NATION INTO TWO HOSTILE CAMPS.
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